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C O N F I D E N T I A L SEOUL 2974

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINF, PINT, KS

SUBJECT: ROKG ORDERS DEPARTURE OF FATHER JAMES SINNOTT

REF: SEOUL 2933; SEOUL 2937

1. REFTELS, WHICH ARE BEING REPEATED TO TOKYO, REPORT ROKG DECISION NOT TO RENEW MARYKNOLL FATHER JAMES SINNOTT'S RESIDENCE PERMIT AND TO ORDER HIS DEPARTURE ON APRIL 30.

2. EMBASSY UNAWARE AT THIS POINT OF FATHER SINNOTT'S FLIGHT PLANS OR THOSE WHICH ROKG MAY BE PREPARING FOR HIM. NOR DO WE KNOW WHETHER HE WOULD INTEND TO MAKE STOPOVER IN TOKYO EN ROUTE TO USA. WE RECOMMEND, HOWEVER, THAT TO HELP AVOID OGLE-TYPE INCIDENT AT TOKYO AIRPORT, IT MAY BE APPROPRIATE FOR EMBASSY TOKYO TO MEET SINNOTT'S PLANE. WE WILL TRANSMIT FLIGHT INFORMATION AND SINNOTT'S PLANS AS SOON AS THEY ARE AVAILABLE.

3. AT PRESS INTERVIEW ON MORNING APRIL 28 FATHER SINNOTT ANNOUNCED THAT HE WOULD NOT LEAVE VOLUNTARILY, THAT HE HAD NO MONEY TO BUY TICKET, AND THAT ROKG WOULD HAVE TO PICK HIM UP AND PUT HIM ON PLANE IF THEY WANT HIM TO LEAVE. THUS FOR MAXIMUM PUBLICITY EFFECT  
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HE MAY ALSO WANT TO GET OFF PLANE IN JAPAN.

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